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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, [REDACTED]

SUBJECT : The British Council

25X1A 1. We are forwarding the report which you requested on the British Council. Initially, this information was for the purpose of briefing the DCI for an OCB meeting. Subsequently, your office indicated that the report should be broadened to include such information as would be necessary were the US to create a similar organization.

[REDACTED] further specified it would be desirable to include information on the recruitment, training, and security procedures of the Council's personnel; relation to including disputes with the Government; finances; and the extent of the Council's present exchange of persons with the USSR.

2. Our report presents information on the Council's historical development, its basic organization, functional procedures and operations, and its newly created Soviet Relations Committee.

3. Attached also is a copy of the Council's 21st Anniversary Report, The British Council, 1934-1955, to be used as a reference in reading our report.

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Reference : [REDACTED]

Prepared by: [REDACTED]

Attachments: (a) The British Council  
(b) The British Council, 1934-1955, Twenty-First Anniversary Report, London, 1955.

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